# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL NOTE

## **SB 2066**

January 30, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a person seeking a name change or birth certificate correction to file the required petition pseudonymously and under seal if that person reasonably believes that publication of the petition would result in harassment, embarrassment, or abuse.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 29-8-102, a person seeking to make a name change or correct an error on a birth certificate may do so by petition, in writing, signed by the applicant and verified by affidavit, that the applicant is a resident of the county and giving the applicant's reasons for desiring the change or correction.
- The proposed legislation would allow the applicant to file the petition pseudonymously and under seal if that person reasonably believes that publication of the petition would result in harassment, embarrassment, or abuse. The applicant will be required to include such information in the accompanying affidavit.
- Allowing such applicants to complete the process pseudonymously and under seal will not create any significant additional burden on state or local courts; any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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